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Harvard Candidates Looming Big For Kennedy New Frontier Posts



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WASHINGTON, Dec. 7—

Walk around this town, talk to Kennedy staff people, friends of Kennedy staff people, friends of friends of Kennedy, Capitol newspapermen and the door man, and you gather this bundle of speculative reports of who will man President-elect Kennedy's New Frontier:

Kennedy definitely has decided he wants a seat warmer in his Senate post for the next two years, just in case his brother Bob or another special friend wants to run for the job in 1962.

The latest candidate to go into the hopper is Boston attorney and civic leader Edward F. Hanify. The Ropes, Gray, Coolidge and Best senior partner has wide respect everywhere in the Boston community. He never has dabbled in elective politics and could qualify admirably as a New Frontiersman, they say.

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for a top job, perhaps even Undersecretary of State for Administration, McGeorge Bundy. The young Harvard dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences fits Kennedy's book on several counts.

He has an immense talent for administration. He enjoys Washington and has a family tradition in public service. His father, Harvey Bundy, was clerk to Oliver Wendell Holmes, special assistant to the late Secretary of War Henry Stimson, and his brother John is a ranking official in Central Intelligence Agency.

He is a close friend of the President-elect. And most important of all, he is a Republican-for-Kennedy. Kennedy's list of possible available appointees is woefully short of Republicans.

Chester Bowles; if he doesn't make Secretary of State, is a good bet to head a reshaped Aid to Underdeveloped Countries Program which will be combined with Voice of America propaganda efforts within the State Department.

Bowles has urged Kennedy to appoint professors and other foreign experts to important embassy posts, instead of the fat cats who sometimes have difficulty pronouncing the names of the countries to which they are assigned.

First professor to make the embassy speculation list is J. Kenneth Galbraith of Harvard, as ambassador to India. Galbraith, one of Kennedy's economic advisors, is writing a book on India's economy.

Prof. Archibald Cox of Harvard Law School some weeks ago was considered a shoo-in for the General. Now is he being edged out by the

found himself as Supreme Court Justice, Felixfurter's personal choice to succeed him on the bench.

Cox was offered one job in the Kennedy administration but turned it down. He is certain to be offered something to his liking before all good jobs are filled. No one worked harder in the last three years for Kennedy than Cox.

First, he helped Kennedy write his Labor Reform Bill, and Bill Fall be headed a speech-drafting and research crew in Washington under the most trying circumstances. The Cox team efforts seldom got through to Kennedy. Ted Sorensen, Kennedy's top speech writer, and his airborne group handled all speeches without help from anyone.

Network newsmen Ed Murrow and Blair Clark, founding editor of the defunct New Hampshire Sunday News, soon will see Kennedy to give him some ideas on making more effective use of television in his administration. Clark is being mentioned as a candidate for the next vacancy on the Federal Communications Commission.

Deldri Henderson of Essex is another Massachusetts name sure to appear on some office either in the White House or in the foreign affairs side of government. She was staff director of the Cambridge Professors-for-Kennedy group and is a Kennedy family friend.

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